WAC 468-600-015 Definitions. As used in these rules:
(1) "Commission" means the Washington state transportation commission;
(2) "Competing proposal" means a written submission to the department that a proposer submits in response to a notice issued by the department under WAC 468-600-320;
(3) "Department" means the Washington state department of transportation;
(4) "Eligible project" as defined in RCW 47.29.050 includes:
(a) Transportation projects, whether capital or operating, where the state's primary purpose for the project is to facilitate the safe transport of people or goods via any mode of travel. However, this does not include projects that are primarily for recreational purposes, such as parks, hiking trails, off-road vehicle trails, etc.; and
(b) Facilities, structures, operations, properties, vehicles, vessels, or the like that are developed concurrently with an eligible transportation project and that are capable of providing revenues to support financing of an eligible transportation project, or that are public projects that advance public purposes unrelated to transportation;
(5) "Eligible public works project" means only a project that meets the criteria of either RCW 47.29.060 (3) or (4);
(6) "Governor" means the governor of the state of Washington;
(7) "Key persons" means individuals or personnel employed by or affiliated with a proposer or team of proposers, and who, because of that person's responsibilities and participation in a proposed project, the department has formally designated as key to the proposer's ability to successfully develop or deliver the project;
(8) "Major partner" means, with respect to a limited liability company or joint venture, each firm, business organization or person that has an ownership interest therein in excess of five percent, unless the department has provided an alternate definition that applies only to a specific project or series of projects;
(9) "Major subcontractor" means any subcontractor designated in the proposal to perform ten percent or more of the scope of work for a proposed project, unless the department has provided an alternate definition that applies only to a specific project or series of projects;
(10) "Private sector partner" and "private partner" means a person, entity or organization that is not the federal government, a state, or a political subdivision of the state and that proposes to enter into an agreement with the state to participate in any or all portions of the design, development, construction, improvement, expansion, extension, delivery, operation, maintenance or financing of a project eligible under the act;
(11) "Proposal" means a written submission to the department satisfying the requirements of WAC 468-600-240 or 468-600-250;
(12) "Proposer" means a person, business entity, a consortium of business entities or a public sector entity that submit a proposal for review and evaluation under these rules, whether the proposal was solicited or unsolicited by the department;
(13) "Public facility" means a building, structure, vehicle, vessel or the like where ownership is retained by the public sector and where the facility is available for use by the general public. This does not include any facilities that are owned by the private sector;
(14) "Public funds" means all moneys derived from a public imposition of taxes, fees, charges and tolls, including those imposed by a private entity for the privilege to use a publicly owned facility;
(15) "Public-private partnership" and "PPP" mean a nontraditional arrangement between the department and one or more public or private entities for the implementation of an eligible project as defined in subsection (12) of this section;

(16) "Public project" means a project that is owned by the state or any of its political subdivisions;

(17) "Secretary" means the secretary of the Washington state department of transportation;

(18) "State" means the government of the state of Washington, including all agencies, organizations, boards, commissions, elected or appointed officials, who are empowered to act on behalf of the state of Washington;

(19) "Transportation Innovative Partnership Act" and "act" means the law enacted and codified in chapter 47.29 RCW, and any amendments thereto;

(20) "Transportation innovative partnership program" and "TIPP" means that portion of the department of transportation responsible for implementing and carrying out the duties prescribed in chapter 47.29 RCW, these rules, and under the powers conferred upon the department to implement the executive branch functions of state government;

(21) "WSDOT" means the Washington state department of transportation.

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